



## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For:

TRYPANOSOMA CRUZI ANTIGEN, GENE ENCODING THEREFOR AND

METHODS OF DETECTING AND TREATING CHAGAS DISEASE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Assistant Commissioner of Patents** Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Page 1, above the first line, insert the following title: -- TRYPANOSOMA CRUZI

ANTIGEN, GENE ENCODING THEREFOR AND METHODS OF DETECTING AND

FREATING CHAGAS DISEASE.--

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

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